

# Texas Commission on Environmental Quality

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## INTEROFFICE MEMORANDUM

**To:** File  
State Lead Section

**Date:** September 23, 2008

**Thru:** Alan Batcheller, Manager  
State Lead Section

Donald Boothby, Team Leader  
Team 2

**From:** Gary Hazelwood, Project Manager  
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**Subject:** Federal Superfund Site Inspection for Hurricane Ike Response  
State Marine, TXD099801102  
East Side of Old Yacht Club Road on the SE Industrial Islet, Port Arthur,  
Jefferson County, Texas

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) and the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) conducted a Site Inspection on September 20, 2008 at the State Marine Superfund site. This inspection was conducted by EPA and TCEQ representatives David Abshire and Gary Hazelwood as part of the Hurricane Ike response to assess possible storm damage to superfund sites. The State Marine Federal Superfund site is located on the east side of Old Yacht Club Road on the southeast Industrial Islet of the city of Port Arthur, in Jefferson County.

The entire site was submerged during the storm surge and is currently covered with piles of vegetation debris. We did not consider it safe to walk through the thick vegetation on the site, so a more detailed report of the site's condition is not available. From our observation, Hurricane Ike has not created a release of hazardous substances from the State Marine Site. See the attached photograph. The TCEQ State Project Manager, Jeffrey Patterson, has received a copy of this IOM and photograph, as notification of the site's status.

Attachment

Site: State Marine, Port Arthur, Jefferson County, Texas



Photograph 1 - Date: 09/20/2008 Photographer: Gary Hazelwood, TCEQ; Facing Southwest: A view of the State Marine site, taken from the border of the Palmer Barge Line site. The site was completely submerged during Hurricane Ike and is covered with piles of debris. A dead cow was washed up on site during the storm. We did not consider it safe to walk through the thick vegetation on the site.